

PUBLIC OPINION BAROMETER

In the year of 1994, *Soros Foundation for an Open Society - Romania* has initiated the program "*The Public Opinion Barometer*", an unique initiative in Central and Eastern Europe.

The features that determine the uniqueness of the *Public Opinion Barometer* are:

- it is carried out quarterly on the basis of a fixed questionnaire, on a national representative sample;
- the results of each poll are made public;
- a jury, whose members include respected academics such as Professor Lazar Vlasceanu, Professor Dumitru Sandu, Professor Traian Rotariu, Calin Anastasiu and Gheorghe Onut, assesses both the manner in which the research is carried out as well as its results.

Among the jury's tasks lies also the appointment of those agencies to be charge to carry out the field research within the Public Opinion Barometer.

As a result of a public auction, [*The Center for Urban and Regional Sociology - CURS*](#) and [*Institute for Life Quality - Romanian Academy*](#) were selected for the 1996 researches.

The topics of the study concern:

- political options and popularity for the major Romanian political parties and political personalities;
- standard of living and quality of life;
- evaluations of the social and economic policy of Government;
- mass media audience

The findings of each research will be publicly released as written reports (diagrams, tables, texts) in press conferences organized by each of two agencies in charge.

The results are also available on Internet : <http://www.sfos.ro/news>

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Methodology of the Opinion Survey

- **Sample size:** 1635 individuals aged over 18 years;
- **Sampling method:** probability sampling, stratified, a three-stage method;
- **Stratification criteria:** 18 geographical areas grouped on the basis of historical regions; residential milieus and size of urban locality. 135 sampling points from 80 localities (39 towns and 41 villages) from 39 districts and Bucharest.
- The selection of the included localities was performed using probabilistic procedures. For the selection of the subjects, the most recent electoral lists have been used.
- **National representative** for the adult and non-institutionalized population of Romania; tolerated error for percentages on the total sample +/- 2.6%.
- The validity of the sample was checked on the basis of the 1992 Census' results.
- The weighting of the data was not necessary, so the values shown both in tables and in charts are those resulted directly from the field survey.
- **Method of interviews:** "door to door" conducted by CURS' operators.
- **The audience** refers to the "preceding day" and to the "7 days preceding".
- The lists with the political parties and with public personalities were made by the jury and include political parties with parliamentary representation and the leaders of these parliamentary parties.
- Taking into account that the general elections will be held in November 1996, supplementary questions have been added. One should remember that these results do not stand for electoral predictions. Those interested in the subject of electoral predictions can not ignore the percentages of the people who are undecided or will not vote, as well as the small degree of trust in the political parties.
- **Field work:** 9-15 October 1996.

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SINCE THE 1992 GENERAL ELECTION, SOME CHANGES TOOK PLACE IN ROMANIAN SOCIETY.

IN YOUR OPINION THESE CHANGES WERE ...

-The figures represent percentages-

	Too fast	Fast	Normal	Slow	Too slow	Don't know
OCTOBER 1996 CURS	11	16	29	23	17	4

DO YOU THINK THE IN ROMANIA THINGS GO IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION OR IN THE WRONG TDIRECTION ?

* **NOTE.** Here and in the following pages, the symbols used represent the research agencies that have conducted the field-work within the Public Opinion Barometer since March , 1994. Thus, **IMAS** - *The Institute For Marketing and Surveys*; **IRSOP** - *The Romanian Institute for the Study of Public Opinion*; **ICCV** - *The Institute for Life Quality of the Romanian Academy*; **CURS** - *The Center for Urban and Regional Sociology*.

-The figures represent percentages-

	OCTOBER 1996 CURS	JULY 1996 CURS	MARCH 1996 ICCV	DECEMBER 1995 CURS	SEPTEMBER 1995 ICCV	JUNE 1995 CURS	MARCH 1995 ICCV	DECEMBER 1994 IRSOP	SEPTEMBER 1994 IMAS	JUNE 1994 IRSOP	MARCH 1994 IMAS
The direction is right	28	25	27	29	37	30	37	33	29	27	29
The direction is wrong	50	51	52	48	41	51	46	43	56	47	57
Don't know	22	24	21	23	22	19	17	24	15	26	14

HOW SATISFIED ARE YOU WITH ... ?

- The figures represent percentages -

	MEDICAL CARE		YOUR JOB		TRANSPORTATION		THE MONEY YOU HAVE		LOCAL CLEANLINESS		NATIONAL POLITICAL LIFE		YOUR DWELLING.		THE LOCALITY YOU LIVE IN	
	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied

OCTOBER '96 CURS	42	56	35	20	48	49	18	81	38	62	17	76	74	26	74	26
JULY '96 CURS	41	57	33	22	42	56	18	82	34	66	16	77	71	28	72	27
MARCH '96 ICCV	51	47	36	17	39	57	19	81	26	74	16	76	75	25	70	29
DECEMBER '95 CURS	50	49	36	19	47	51	18	81	33	66	20	73	74	26	76	23
SEPTEMBER '95 ICCV	53	46	41	14	46	50	26	74	35	65	22	68	79	21	77	23
JUNE '95 CURS	50	47	36	21	46	49	20	80	31	69	15	75	76	24	76	24
MARCH '95 ICCV	52	47	37	13	44	53	20	69	30	69	20	72	76	24	75	25
DECEMBER '94 IRSOP	40	52	29	19	40	49	24	74	31	68	23	60	-	-	-	-
SEPTEMBER '94 IMAS	38	57	35	28	31	59	21	79	18	81	14	72	-	-	-	-
JUNE '94 IRSOP	31	65	26	31	35	60	15	82	24	74	14	72	-	-	-	-
MARCH '94 IMAS	39	58	33	22	28	63	24	76	20	79	14	78	-	-	-	-

WHICH ARE THE THINGS YOU FEAR MOST AT PRESENT ?

- The figures represent percentages -

	OCTOBER	JULY	MARCH	DECEMBER	SEPTEMBER	JUNE	MARCH	DECEMBER	SEPTEMBER	JUNE	MARCH
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	1996 CURS	1996 CURS	1996 ICCV	1995 CURS	1995 ICCV	1995 CURS	1995 ICCV	1994 IRSOP	1994 IMAS	1994 IRSOP	1994 IMAS
Prices	62	68	70	61	52	56	54	52	50	60	51
A war in the area	29	26	*	31	42	34	33	39	39	35	50
Health problems	39	34	38	35	36	29	30	35	34	33	32
Unemployment	27	27	29	27	27	32	28	24	30	34	25
Delinquency	17	19	30	19	17	19	18	20	22	15	17
Social unrest	11	10	15	10	9	12	11	12	09	11	12
Setting up of a new dictatorship	8	7	8	9	8	6	7	9	12	08	11

HOW SATISFIED ARE YOU WITH YOUR LIVING STANDARD ?

- The figures represent percentages -

	OCTOBER 1996 CURS	JULY 1996 CURS	MARCH 1996 ICCV	DECEMBER 1995 CURS	SEPTEMBER 1995 ICCV	JUNE 1995 CURS	MARCH 1995 ICCV	DECEMBER 1994 IRSOP	SEPTEMBER 1994 IMAS	JUNE 1994 IRSOP	MARCH 1994 IMAS
Very satisfied	3	2	2	3	4	3	5	3	2	2	2
Quite satisfied	37	35	39	37	47	36	37	38	32	28	36
Not very satisfied	46	46	45	47	41	45	48	44	42	45	47

Not at all satisfied	14	17	14	13	8	16	10	15	24	25	15
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HOW DO YOU CONSIDER YOUR PRESENT LIFE BY COMPARISON TO THE ONE YOU HAD A

YEAR AGO ?

-The figures represent percentages -

	OCTOBER 1996 CURS	JULY 1996 CURS	MARCH 1996 ICCV	DECEMBER 1995 CURS	SEPTEMBER 1995 ICCV	JUNE 1995 CURS	MARCH 1995 ICCV
Much beter now	2	1	2	2	2	2	1
A little better now	14	11	15	14	18	15	16
About the same	43	39	37	39	44	39	41
A little worse now	32	37	36	37	30	34	33
Much worse now	9	12	10	8	6	10	8

HOW DO YOU THINK YOUR LIFE WILL BE ONE YEAR FROM NOW ON ?

- The figures represent percentages-

	OCTOBER 1996 CURS	JULY 1996 CURS	MARCH 1996 ICCV	DECEMBER 1995 CURS	SEPTEMBER 1995 ICCV	JUNE 1995 CURS	MARCH 1995 ICCV	DECEMBER 1994 IRSOP	SEPTEMBER 1994 IMAS	JUNE 1994 IRSOP	MARCH 1994 IMAS
Much better	5	3	3	2	2	3	3	3	1	3	1

A little better	35	28	29	29	31	27	33	35	27	25	27
About the same	31	27	28	33	35	27	13	35	34	37	36
A little worse	15	27	27	25	22	25	23	19	31	25	29
Much worse	5	8	9	7	5	7	6	8	7	10	6

HOW WOULD YOU APPRECIATE YOUR FAMILY'S INCOME ?

- The figures represent percentages-

	OCTOBER 1996 CURS	JULY 1996 CURS	MARCH 1996 ICCV	DECEMBER 1995 CURS	SEPTEMBER 1995 ICCV	JUNE 1995 CURS	MARCH 1995 ICCV	SEPTEMBER 1994 IMAS	MARCH 1994 IMAS
We are able to buy anything we need without efforts	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
We are able to buy expensive goods only by saving money	7	7	5	8	9	7	9	5	5
Enough for a decent life, but we are not able to buy expensive goods	21	20	23	22	27	20	23	22	23
Enough just for the basic needs	39	38	38	39	33	41	36	40	44
Not enough even for the basic needs	32	34	33	30	30	31	31	32	26

RESPONDENTS HAVING SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR NEWSPAPERS AND MAGAZINES

- The figures represent percentages -

	OCTOBER 1996 CURS	JULY 1996 CURS	MARCH 1996 ICCV	DECEMBER 1995 CURS	SEPTEMBER 1995 ICCV	JUNE 1995 CURS	MARCH 1995 ICCV
Only one publication	9	10	15	13	12	11	12
2 publications	3	4	4	3	4	2	3
3-7 publications	1	1	2	1	2	1	2
Not having subscriptions	87	85	79	83	82	86	83

AUDIENCE OF THE RADIO STATIONS

- The figures represent, in percentages, the respondents who have listened to the radio stations below mentioned over the last 7 days -

- The Radio stations are ranked according to the IMAS Poll (March, 1994)

	OCTOBER 1996 CURS	JULY 1996 CURS	MARCH 1996 ICCV	DECEMBER 1995 CURS	SEPTEMBER 1995 ICCV	JUNE 1995 CURS	MARCH 1995 ICCV	DECEMBER 1994 IRSOP	SEPTEMBER 1994 IMAS	JUNE 1994 IRSOP	MARCH 1994 IMAS
Romania-Actualitati (Public)	54	57	65	64	60	65	67	62	66	69	71
Local public station	17	22	26	25	26	28	34	28	27	19	29
Romania-Tineret (Public)	5	5	8	6	8	9	10	12	9	10	11
Local private station	29	30	26	26	15	19	15	12	13	17	10
A foreign language station	3	4	6	5	3	6	5	7	5	8	8
Romania-Cultural (Public)	5	5	8	6	6	6	11	16	6	11	7
Antena satelor (Public)	3	3	6	4	5	3	7	8	2	6	6
Foreign station broadcasting in Romanian language	3	4	3	6	3	5	5	4	3	7	4

Population having radio	86	85	87	88	85	-	-	-	-	-	-
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AUDIENCE OF THE TV STATIONS

- The figures represent, in percentages, the respondents who have watched the tv stations below mentioned over the last 7 days -

	OCTOBER 1996 CURS	JULY 1996 CURS	MARCH 1996 ICCV	DECEMBER 1995 CURS	SEPTEMBER 1995 ICCV	JUNE 1995 CURS	MARCH 1995 ICCV	DECEMBER 1994 IRSOP	SEPTEMBER 1994 IMAS	JUNE 1994 IRSOP	MARCH 1994 IMAS
TVR 1(Public)	74	75	84	87	83	85	88	83	85	87	85
TVR 2 (Public)	24	26	28	36	26	33	32	19	19	26	18
Other foreign TV station	16	19	25	26	28	30	28	22	20	20	18
A TV station of a neighboring country	7	9	12	8	9	11	11	15	9	15	13
Private station	48	43	41	28	22	25	19	13	8	19	8
Local public station	6	9	12	10	9	12	10	6	3	7	6
Provision with pick up systems					<u>Room,</u>						
-room antenna	<u>Collective antenna</u>	<u>Collective antenna</u>	<u>Collective antenna</u>	<u>Collective antenna</u>	<u>outdoor,</u>	<u>Room,</u>	<u>Room,</u>				
-outdoor personal antenna	47	49	49	53	<u>collective antenna</u>	<u>outdoor,</u>	<u>outdoor,</u>	10	9	19	10
-collective antenna					51	<u>collective antenna</u>	<u>collective antenna</u>	64	57	73	60
						54	57	5	8	10	9
-individual satellite antenna	<u>Satellite antenna</u>	<u>Satellite antenna</u>	<u>Satellite antenna</u>	<u>Satellite antenna</u>	<u>Satellite antenna</u>	<u>Satellite antenna</u>	<u>Satellite antenna</u>				
-collective satellite antenna	<u>cable network</u>	<u>cable network</u>	<u>cable network</u>	<u>cable network</u>	<u>cable network</u>	<u>cable network</u>	<u>cable network</u>	3	2	1	3
-cable network	43	41	44	39	38	38	35	2	5	2	4
								22	19	17	14
Do not have a TV set	10	10	7	8	11	8	8	-	8	8	11

WHICH IS YOUR MAIN SOURCE OF INFORMATION REGARDING THE NATIONAL POLITICAL LIFE ?

- The figures represent percentages -

	OCTOBER 1996 CURS	JULY 1996 CURS	MARCH 1996 ICCV	DECEMBER 1995 CURS	SEPTEMBER 1995 ICCV	JUNE 1995 CURS	MARCH 1995 ICCV
TV	64	65	67	60	59	58	61
Radio	15	15	16	20	17	21	20
Newspapers	7	6	7	9	8	9	7
Discussions with acquaintances	6	6	4	5	6	7	5
Not interested in political life	8	8	6	6	10	5	7

DO YOU HAVE A VERY GOOD, GOOD, POOR OR A VERY POOR IMPRESSION OF... ?

- The figures represent percentages-

- The public figures are ranked according to the differences between positive and negative popularity ratings (IMAS Poll, March, 1994) -

	OCTOBER 1996 CURS		JULY 1996 CURS		MARCH 1996 ICCV		DECEMBER 1995 CURS		SEPTEMBER 1995 ICCV		JUNE 1995 CURS		MARCH 1995 ICCV		DECEMB 1994 IRSOP		SEPT. 1994 IMAS		JUNE 1994 IRSOP		MARCH 1994 IMAS	
	Poor, very poor	Good, very good	Poor, very poor	Good, very good	Poor, very poor	Good, very good	Poor, very poor	Good, very good	Poor, very poor	Good, very good	Poor, very poor	Good, very good	Poor, very poor	Good, very good	Poor, very poor	Good, very good	Poor, very poor	Good, very good	Poor, very poor	Good, very good	Poor, very poor	Good, very good
A.Năstase	31	46	28	55	27	62	26	60	20	66	27	60	19	67	28	64	38	48	34	61	30	55
E.Constantinescu	30	55	27	56	41	49	38	46	39	48	45	42	43	47	39	53	40	52	43	52	42	49
N.Manolescu	15	28	14	29	23	32	20	24	22	26	26	22	26	24	43	33	42	31	52	33	38	33
I.Iliescu	38	55	37	58	34	63	38	59	36	60	39	56	33	64	35	59	51	45	48	50	52	44

P.Roman	26	63	28	62	35	49	38	51	41	49	47	44	43	49	44	51	56	36	59	38	51	41
O.Gherman	35	26	35	34	36	41	34	38	28	40	34	35	31	40	42	43	48	29	48	41	47	29
S.Cunescu	16	19	16	28	25	28	21	21	26	21	30	18	33	23	51	26	47	24	54	28	46	26
N.Văcăroiu	59	26	62	26	57	36	55	36	46	46	57	35	50	44	43	51	61	32	62	36	61	33
Gh.Funar	40	36	36	41	48	37	50	31	48	31	52	29	54	30	60	28	70	18	69	25	62	25
C.V.Tudor	40	31	46	30	46	35	49	30	43	33	42	36	42	34	53	35	61	24	60	33	61	24
M.Bella	27	11	33	13	49	14	38	10	46	11	47	9	50	10	52	22	54	17	64	19	55	16
I.Verdet	42	14	47	19	56	22	50	17	53	17	55	19	58	18	67	20	68	13	72	20	71	13
N.Cerveni	10	11	11	15	17	17	11	9	12	10	14	8	18	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
H. Rusu	11	9	12	16	22	18	15	10	15	13	15	9	19	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
M.I.Quintus	15	20	14	29	20	36	19	27	18	29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
T.Mohora	20	21	20	17	28	22	22	12	21	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
I.Diaconescu	15	24	15	32	25	33	19	26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

NOTE: Percentages of respondents who had no opinion are not shown.

OVERALL, HOW DO YOU RATE THE ACTIVITY OF THE FOLLOWING INSTITUTIONS ?

- The figures represent percentages-

		GOVERNMENT	PARLIAMENT	JUSTICE	ARMY	CHURCH	LOCAL GOVERNMENT
OCTOBER 1996 CURS	Poor, very poor	62	63	45	8	8	30
	Good, very good	26	23	36	76	83	62
JULY 1996 CURS	Poor, very poor	65	66	48	9	7	42
	Good, very good	24	21	36	81	89	52
MARCH 1996 ICCV	Poor, very poor	64	68	54	5	9	51
	Good, very good	33	29	41	92	89	48

DECEMBER 1995 CURS	Poor, very poor	74	77	54	7	9	60
	Good, very good	24	21	42	90	90	39
SEPTEMBER 1995 ICCV	Poor, very poor	60	69	47	5	7	51
	Good, very good	37	29	48	92	91	48
JUNE 1995 CURS	Poor, very poor	71	78	56	7	12	61
	Good, very good	26	18	36	89	87	37
MARCH 1995 ICCV	Poor, very poor	65	71	49	6	7	53
	Good, very good	32	25	43	91	82	46
DECEMBER 1994 IRSOP	Poor, very poor	59	66	52	-	-	-
	Good, very good	40	33	45	-	-	-
SEPTEMBER 1994 IMAS	Poor, very poor	72	77	62	-	-	-
	Good, very good	26	21	33	-	-	-
JUNE 1994 IRSOP	Poor, very poor	74	76	60	-	-	-
	Good, very good	26	24	38	-	-	-
MARCH 1994 IMAS	Poor, very poor	74	79	62	-	-	-
	Good, very good	25	19	34	-	-	-

ARE YOU RATHER SATISFIED OR RATHER DISSATISFIED WITH THE GOVERNMENT'S PERFORMANCES IN THE FOLLOWING FIELDS ?

- The figures represent percentages -

		Culture	Education	Health care	Agriculture	Industry	Salaries	Living standard	Jobs	Fight against delinquency	Fight against corruption
OCTOBER 1996 CURS	Dissatisfied	58	59	72	84	77	91	89	85	79	87
	Satisfied	33	35	27	14	16	8	10	13	16	8
JULY 1996 CURS	Dissatisfied	64	63	73	83	81	93	92	89	83	89
	Satisfied	28	30	25	13	12	5	7	8	13	7

MARCH 1996 ICCV	Dissatisfied	59	58	68	82	80	93	92	89	77	86
	Satisfied	36	39	30	16	16	6	7	9	21	11
DECEMBER 1995 CURS	Dissatisfied	61	64	68	83	80	95	93	88	72	88
	Satisfied	33	31	30	16	14	4	7	10	25	12
SEPTEMBER 1995 ICCV	Dissatisfied	49	47	64	71	72	88	85	83	70	82
	Satisfied	45	49	34	27	23	10	13	14	27	13
JUNE '95 CURS	Dissatisfied	55	54	65	77	79	92	90	89	73	86
	Satisfied	37	40	33	20	14	8	10	9	22	11
MARCH '95 ICCV	Dissatisfied	56	55	68	76	81	90	88	87	74	83
	Satisfied	40	42	30	21	15	10	11	11	22	13
DECEMBER '94 IRSOP	Dissatisfied	58	58	66	76	83	90	86	85	81	88
	Satisfied	40	40	34	23	16	10	13	13	18	11
SEPTEMBER '94 IMAS	Dissatisfied	61	66	71	81	80	88	89	86	85	90
	Satisfied	33	30	27	17	16	10	10	11	12	7
JUNE 1994 IRSOP	Dissatisfied	75	79	77	86	92	91	93	90	87	92
	Satisfied	24	20	22	14	8	8	7	9	13	7
MARCH 1994 IMAS	Dissatisfied	64	66	73	84	84	87	88	88	87	92
	Satisfied	30	29	24	14	13	12	11	10	10	5

HERE ARE TWO OPINIONS:

PRIVATIZATION SHOULD BE QUICK AND THE ROLE OF THE STATE SHOULD DECREASE AS FAST AS POSSIBLE.

PRIVATIZATION SHOULD BE SLOW AND THE ROLE OF THE STATE SHOULD DECREASE AS SLOW AS POSSIBLE.

WHICH ONE OF THESE OPINIONS COMES CLOSER TO WHAT YOU THINK ?

- The figures represent percentages -

	OCTOBER	JULY	MARCH	DECEMBER	SEPTEMBER	JUNE	MARCH	DECEMBER	SEPTEMBER	JUNE	MARCH
	1996	1996	1996	1995	1995	1995	1995	1994	1994	1994	1994

	CURS	CURS	ICCV	CURS	ICCV	CURS	ICCV	IRSOP	IMAS	IRSOP	IMAS
Privatization should be quick and the State should decrease its roile as fast as possible	45	50	59	59	54	54	53	55	58	58	66
Privatization should be slow and the State should decrease its role as slow as possible	37	34	35	32	39	39	40	43	38	41	31
No opinion	18	16	5	9	1	-	2	-	-	-	-
Privatization should not be done	-	-	1	-	6	7	5	2	4	1	3

DO YOU THINK THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS IN FAVOR OR AGAINST PRIVATIZATION ?

- The figures represent percentages-

	OCTOBER 1996 CURS	JULY 1996 CURS	MARCH 1996 ICCV	DECEMBER 1995 CURS	SEPTEMBER 1995 ICCV	JUNE 1995 CURS	MARCH 1995 ICCV	DECEMBER 1994 IRSOP	SEPTEMBER 1994 IMAS	JUNE 1994 IRSOP	MARCH 1994 IMAS
It is 100% in favor of privatization	12	17	23	20	19	13	15	21	17	17	11
It is rather in favor of privatization	46	44	45	43	52	43	50	49	43	48	48
It is rather against privatization	26	25	23	24	19	28	23	25	27	28	34
It is 100% against privatization	6	4	5	5	4	6	5	3	9	6	7
No opinion	10	10	4	8	6	11	7	2	4	1	-

DO YOU THINK THAT THE GOVERNMENT'S ECONOMIC POLICY WILL HAVE OR WILL NOT HAVE POSITIVE RESULTS OVER THE NEXT YEAR ?

- The figures represent percentages -

	OCTOBER 1996 CURS	JULY 1996 CURS	MARCH 1996 ICCV	DECEMBER 1995 CURS	SEPTEMBER 1995 ICCV	JUNE 1995 CURS	MARCH 1995 ICCV	DECEMBER 1994 IRSOP	SEPTEMBER 1994 IMAS	JUNE 1994 IRSOP	MARCH 1994 IMAS
I think it will have positive results	29	20	21	24	29	26	33	30	27	22	30
I do not think it will have positive results	27	37	43	41	33	43	37	32	42	46	48
Don't know	44	43	36	35	38	31	30	38	31	32	22

WHAT POLITICAL PARTY OR POLITICAL ALLIANCE FROM ROMANIA DO YOU TRUST MOST ?

	JULY 1996 CURS	MARCH 1996 ICCV		OCTOMBRIE 1996 CURS
PDSR - The Party of Social Democracy from Romania	17	17	ANL (PAC,PL '93) - National Liberal Alliance	1
CDR - The Democratic Convention (undifferentiated) *	10	8	ANLE (PNL-C, The Green Ecologist Alternative, The Bratianu Liberal Union) - Ecologist National	0,5
PNT-CD -The National Peasants' Party - Christian-Democratic	7	7	Liberal Alliance	
PD - The Democratic Party	3	6	CDR (PNP-CD,PNL,PER, PNL-CD) -	24
USD - The Social Democratic Union	4	-	The Democratic Convention	
PRM - The Great Romania Party	2	4	USD (PD, PSDR) - The Social Democratic Union	13
PUNR - The Party of Romanian National Unity	1	3	UNC (PDAR,PUR,MER)- The National Union of	1
UDMR - The Democratic Union of Hungarians from Romania	2	3	Center	
PAC - The Civic Alliance Party	1	2	PDSR - The Party of Social Democracy from Romania	20
PDAR - The Democratic Agrarian Party	0.5	1	PRM - The Great Romania Party	4
PER - The Ecologist Party	0.5	1		

PNL(C) - The National Liberal Party (Campeanu)	-	1		PS - The Socialist Party	1
PNL - The National Liberal Party	1	1		PSM - The Socialist Party of Labor	2
PSDR - The Social Democrat Party	0.5	1		PUNR - The Party of Romanian National Unity	2
PSM - The Socialist Party of Labor	2	1		UDMR - The Democratic Union of Hungarians from Romania	3
Other political parties	1.5	1		Other political parties	0,5
I do not trust any political party / No answer	47	43		I do not trust any political party / No answer	28

FOR THE GENERAL ELECTIONS FROM 3 NOVEMBER, WOULD YOU VOTE ?

- The figures represent percentages -

	OCTOBER 1996 CURS	JULY 1996 CURS	MARCH 1996 ICCV	DECEMBER 1995 CURS	SEPTEMBER 1995 ICCV	JUNE 1995 CURS	MARCH 1995 ICCV	DECEMBER 1994 IRSOP	SEPTEMBER 1994 IMAS	JUNE 1994 IRSOP	MARCH 1994 IMAS
Definitely yes	77	74	73	75	81	77	82	72	72	71	71
Probably, yes	12	10	12	11	10	10	9	12	12	12	11
Probably, no	6	3	7	2	1	2	2	2	4	3	4
Definitely, no	5	5	2	6	5	6	4	9	9	9	9
I am not sure	-	8	6	6	3	5	3	5	3	5	5

NOTE. Until July 1996, the question was formulated as it follows: **"In Romania, one is not obliged to go to vote. Some people do go to vote, some do not. Should general elections be held next Sunday, would you vote ?"**

**DO YOU THINK YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT IN ORDER THAT THE THINGS GO WELL
IN ROMANIA FOR THE NEXT 4 YEARS ?**

- The figures represent percentages -

	Definitely yes	Probably, yes	Probably, no	Definitely, no	I d'ont know
OCTOMBER 1996 CURS	49	34	5	2	10

WHICH PARTY WOULD YOU VOTE FOR ?

- Percentages of the overall number of those who intend to vote for one of the parties-

	PDSR	PNT -CD	USD	UDMR	PDAR in oct 96 UNC	PNL -CD	PUNR	PRM	PSM	PER	PAC in oct ANL	PL '93 96	PSDR	PNL	PS	CDR (***)	Other political parties	Undecided or will not vote
OCT'96 CURS	27.2	*	18.1	5	2.7	*	3.1	4.8	2.8	*	2.8		**	*	1.2	31.4	0.9	26
JULY '96 CURS	29	*	12	6	2	*	4	4	4	*	3	2	**	*	1	33	-	25
MARCH1996 ICCV	31	*	14	5	3	*	5	6	4	*	3	1	**	*	-	28	-	29
DEC. '95 CURS	30	16	9	6	2	1	5	7	3	1	3	2	1	2	1	9,5	1,5	28
SEPT.'95 ICCV	34	9	9	6	3	1	5	6	4	1	5	2	2	3	1	7	2	16
JUNE '95 CURS	28	12	7	7	3	2	5	7	5	4	7	2	1		-	8	3	28
MARCH 1995 ICCV	32	9	12	6	4	4	4	5	4	6	5	2	1	-	-	-	6	21
DEC. '94 IRSOP	25	12	11	7	2	9	3	6	6	6	6	3	2	-	-	-	5	15
SEPT.'94 IMAS	25	16	5	8	4	8	4	4	4	4	10	4	1	-	-	-	3	21
JUNE '94 IRSOP	22	14	9	6	4	8	2	7	7	6	7	4	2	-	-	-	2	17

MARCH 1994 IMAS	24	14	10	9	6	6	6	5	5	5	4	3	2	-	-	-	1	17
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(*) Political parties of the Democratic Convention; (**) Political parties of the Social Democratic Union; (***) CDR - undifferentiated

WHICH CANDIDATE WILL YOU VOTE FOR AS THE PRESIDENT OF ROMANIA, AT NOVEMBER 3 1996 ?

- The figures represent percentages out of the total sample. For october 1996 the figures represent percentages out of total opinions (**) -

	OCTOBER 1996 CURS	JULY 1996 CURS	MARCH 1996 ICCV	DECEMBER 1995 CURS	SEPTEMBER 1995 ICCV	JUNE 1995 CURS	MARCH 1995 ICCV
Ion Iliescu	33,5	33	29	37	38	32	36
Emil Constantinescu	27,0	23	15	19	16	18	18
Adrian Năstase	-	*	1	4	5	7	9
Petre Roman	22,5	16	12	4	3	4	3
Gheorghe Funar	3,5	2	2	2	2	3	3
Teodor Mele°canu	-	*	1	2	1	1	2
Corneliu Vadim Tudor	3,5	3	4	3	2	2	1
Nicolae Manolescu	2,0	*	1	1	1	2	-
Adrian Paăunescu	1,0	1	1	-	-	-	-
Gyorgy Frunda	3,5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tudor Mohora	1,0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ioan Pop de Popa	2,0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other personalities	0,5	3	2	5	10	10	6
Don't know / No answer	**	19	32	23	22	21	22

* In the category "Other personality" (with less than 1% out of the total options) were included : A.Nastase, T.Melescanu, T.Stolojan, N.Militaru, T.Mohora. A.Iorgovan, I.Coja, N. Manolescu

** In order to be significant for the results of the election from november 3 1996, the figures represent percentages out of total opinions. 26% out of the subjects are undecided or

will not vote.

NOTE: Until July 1996, the question regarding voting intention for president was sated as it follows: ***"Should elections for President be held next Sunday, who would you vote for ?"***